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SUBJECT: GENEVA GROUP: FRENCH PROPOSAL

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(C) GENEVA 7436, (D) GENEVA 7461, (E) GENEVA 7462

1. UK MISSION HAS INFORMED US THAT LONDON (MAXEY)
HAS SENT TELEGRAM TO DEPARTMENT (TOUSSAINT) PRESENTING
UK VIEWS ON AGENDA. THEIR PROPOSED AGENDA IS: (1)
PROPOSED PUBLIC STATEMENT BY GROUP MEMBERS; (2)
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POSSIBLE FOLLOW-UP WITH SECRETARIAT AND AT MEETINGS

OF BODIES IN THE UN SYSTEM; (3) OTHER BUSINESS.
LONDON HAS ALSO INSTRUCTED ITS EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON
TO DISCUSS WITH DEPARTMENT.

2. BRITISH MISSION AND WE HAVE AGREED THAT WE WOULD
NOT CIRCULATE US OR UK PROPOSALS FOR AGENDA UNTIL WE
HAD RECEIVED REPORT ON OUTCOME OF US/UK DISCUSSIONS
IN WASHINGTON. WE ARE, OF COURSE, PREPARED TO CIRCULATE
US/UK REVISED AGENDA IF AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED BUT,
AS NOTED REFTEL C PARA 2, IT IS NOT REALLY POSSIBLE
TO REVISE THE AGENDA IN GENEVA AND THIS CAN ONLY BE
DONE AT THE OUTSET OF GG/CL.

3. BRIEF UK PROPOSED AGENDA REFLECTS BRITISH CONCERN
ABOUT TIME RATHER THAN ABOUT CONTENT OF GG/CL
DISCUSSION. IN CONTRAST TO DEPARTMENT (REFTEL A
PARA 2) BRITISH CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE TO DISCUSS UN
BUDGET AND "STRICTLY UN MATTERS" AT OCTOBER 6 MEETING,
AS DO SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF GG. THIS MISSION FULLY
AWARE OF DEPARTMENT'S POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT AND
HAS PRESENTED THIS POSITION IN GG, BUT, AS WAS EVIDENT
AT GG/CL MEETING IN JUNE AND AT GG WHICH HENNES ATTENDED,
OUR VIEWS ARE NOT SHARED BY ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF GG.
AS EXPLAINED IN TELCON, PROPOSED AGENDA DOES NOT REFLECT
SIMPLY US OR UK VIEWS BUT VIEWS OF ALL MEMBERS.

4. RE REFTEL A PARA 4, SUGGEST DEPARTMENT
REREAD REFTEL C PARA 2. IN VIEW OF SHORT TIME CAPITALS
HAVE FOR PREPARING GG/CL MEETING, BELGIAN AMBASSADOR
DRAFTED PAPER WHICH CO-CHAIRMEN REVISED WHICH IS
INTENDED AS A CONTINGENCY WORKING PAPER FOR USE WHEN

AND IF AGREEMENT IS REACHED IN GG/CL ON FRENCH PROPOSAL
OR A REASONABLE FACSIMILE THEREOF. OBVIOUSLY, IF
THERE IS NO AGREEMENT THERE IS NO NEED FOR A PAPER.

5. IN VIEW LEWIS PLANS TO ATTEND GG/CL, WEIR NOW
EXPECTS TO COME. CATTO

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